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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, [✓]change "any preceding claim" to --claim 1--.

4. (amended) A method as claimed in claim [3] 1, characterized in that the peripheral blood is obtained from naturally infected patients at different stages of illness and the stages include an acute stage (on admission), early convalescence (seven days after admission), late convalescence (six weeks after discharge) and after full recovery (3 months and twelve months after discharge).

Claim [✓]5, line 1, change "any preceding claim" to --claim 1--.

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